

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace all previous listings, and versions, of the claims with the following claims, where text to be added is indicated by underlining and text to be deleted is indicated by strikethrough.

1. (Currently amended) A method for treating an allergic condition other than asthma in a subject, comprising:
administering to a subject having an allergic condition other than asthma an isolated polymer in an effective amount to treat the allergic condition, wherein the polymer comprises repeating units of a charge motif characteristic of *B. fragilis* polysaccharide A (PSA), the motif being a positively charged free amino moiety and a negatively charged moiety selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, phosphate, phosphonate, sulfate, and sulfonate, and wherein the allergic condition is not eczema.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the motif is a positively charged free amino moiety and a negatively charged moiety selected from the group consisting of phosphate, phosphonate, sulfate, and sulfonate.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the administering comprises delivering an aerosol of the polymer to an airway of the subject.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the subject is free of symptoms otherwise calling for treatment with the polymer.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is a polysaccharide.
6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is a bacterial capsular polysaccharide.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the polymer is PSA1.

8-16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises administering to the subject an anti-allergy medicament selected from the group consisting of glucocorticoids, antihistamines, and anti-IgE.

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the administering comprises administering ~~to the subject having an allergic condition other than asthma~~ multiple doses of the isolated polymer ~~to treat the allergic condition~~.

19-97. (Canceled)

98. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is hayfever.

99. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is allergic rhinitis.

100. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is allergic conjunctivitis.

101. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is urticaria.

102. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the allergic condition other than asthma is food allergy.